

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ESTA PARRISH, D.V.M.,  
RESPONDENT.

DHA case SPS 11-0099

ORDER 0001832

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DOE Case 11 VET 032

The parties to this proceeding for purposes of Wis. Stat. s. 227.53 are:

Esta Parrish, D.V.M.  
P.O. Box 324  
Wilton, WI 54670

Division of Enforcement  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708

Veterinary Examining Board  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 8935  
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Division of Enforcement filed the Complaint in this matter on October 18, 2011, charging Respondent Dr. Parrish with violating an Order of the Veterinary Examining Board. Administrative Law Judge Jennifer Nashold presided at a prehearing conference on January 17, 2012, and issued a scheduling order that day. Respondent, represented by attorneys Eric McLeod and Brandon Flugaur of Michael Best & Friedrich, filed an Answer on January 17, 2012. Thereafter, the parties entered into a Stipulation of Dismissal. The Board has reviewed the Stipulation for Dismissal, and makes the following

### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Esta Parrish, D.V.M, was born on June 4, 1956, and is licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 2275-50, which was first granted on June 17, 1981.
2. Respondent's most recent address on record with the Veterinary Examining Board is P.O. Box 324, Wilton, Wisconsin 54670.
3. On August 3, 2011, the Veterinary Examining Board issued a Final Decision and Order in disciplinary proceedings against Respondent on DOE cases 09 VET 058 and 10 VET 053. Among other disciplinary measures, Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Wisconsin was limited as of August 3, 2011, to prohibit her from performing any surgery until she had demonstrated surgical competency.
4. The Division received information that Respondent violated the Final Decision and Order of the Veterinary Examining Board, issued on August 3, 2011, by performing surgery on a companion animal on September 28, 2011.
5. On October 7, 2011, pursuant to paragraph 10 of its Order of August 3, 2011, the Veterinary Examining Board suspended Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine.
6. Paragraph 10 of the Order of August 3, 2011, provides that the Board may summarily suspend the license for violation of any of the terms of the Order. Paragraph 10 of that Order also provides that in the alternative, the Board may impose additional conditions, limitations or additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of the Order.

7. The Order of August 3, 2011, does not permit the Board to impose both a summary suspension and also seek additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of the Order.
8. On March 6, 2012, Respondent's attorney contacted the Division's attorney and pointed out that Paragraph 10 of the August 3, 2011, Order provides for either summary suspension or other discipline, but does not appear to contemplate both suspension and additional discipline for a violation of the Order.
9. In light of the apparent limitation of enforcement methods stipulated by the Order of August 3, 2011, and the Board's choice of suspension of Respondent's license on October 7, 2011, the parties stipulate to the dismissal of this proceeding without costs to either party.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Veterinary Examining Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 453.07.

#### ORDER

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED that DHA case SPS 11-0099 is DISMISSED with prejudice, each party to bear its own costs.

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board

Martina L. Gureev, DVM, JD      6/13/12  
A Member of the Board      Date